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Attention: Ronald Hack, Deputy Chief Information Officer for Information

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Dear Mr. Hack:

I hereby request the opportunity to speak at the May 16th hearing.

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Interest: The affect that the removal of the paper files will have on the integrity of the patent data base; the current status of the electronic data base; the effect on patent classification; the effect on those arts where a word search is difficult.

Thank you. Harold L. Novick